## **REMARKS**

The attached Appendix includes marked-up copies of each rewritten claim (37 C.F.R. §1.121(c)(1)(ii)).

Applicants appreciate the indication that claims 77 and 164 are in condition for allowance. It is respectfully submitted that the other claims are also in condition for allowance for the reasons discussed below. Therefore, it is respectfully submitted that the entire application should be allowed.

Applicants also appreciate the courtesies extended to their undersigned representative during the April 1, 2003 telephone interview. Applicants' separate record of the substance of the interview is incorporated into the following remarks.

Claims 40, 71, 75, 79-80, 112 and 128-163 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102 over DE 413639. Claim 128 and 129 have been canceled. With regard to the remaining rejected claims, Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection.

Claims 40, 112, 141, 149 and 157 have been amended to recite that the plurality of a assimilable organic component are each selected from the group consisting of I-Inositol, Putrescine 2HCl, Sodium pyruvate, Thymidine, Adenine (HCl), DL-Lipoic acid and D-Glucose. The cited reference does not teach a composition comprising a plurality of these components. Each of the remaining rejected claims depend from one of claims 40, 112, 141, 149 and 157. Therefore, the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102 should be reconsidered and withdrawn.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are therefore respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner believe anything further would be necessary in order to place the application in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

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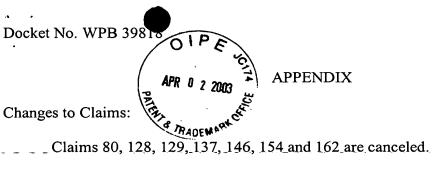
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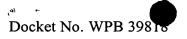
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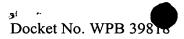


The following is a marked-up version of the amended claims:

compound or	factor, or a hormone.
112.	(Twice Amended) A method of cosmetic treatment, comprising contacting only
an area of hun	nan skin whose integrity has not been breached by a wound with a treatment
composition c	omprising an aqueous complex nutritive base comprising:
	_a plurality of amino acids,
	_at least one vitamin,
	a plurality of assimilable organic components each selected from the group
consisting of	i-Inositol, Putrescine 2HCl, Sodium pyruvate, Thymidine, Adenine (HCl),
DL-Lipoic ac	id and D-Glucose, and
	at least and ingressia salt



wherein said treatment composition does not comprise a biological extract of
animal or cellular origin, or a living nourishing substrate, or a cellular growth stimulating
compound or-factor, or a hormone.
141. (Amended) A method of cosmetic treatment, comprising contacting human
skin with a treatment composition comprising an aqueous complex nutritive base comprising
a plurality of amino acids,
at least one vitamin,
a plurality of assimilable organic components each selected from the group
consisting of i-Inositol, Putrescine 2HCl, Sodium pyruvate, Thymidine, Adenine (HCl),
DL-Lipoic acid and D-Glucose, and
at least one inorganic salt,
wherein said treatment composition does not contain a biological extract of
animal or cellular origin, or a living nourishing substrate, and wherein said treatment
composition consists essentially of components that are biomimetic to skin.
149. (Amended) A cosmetic composition, comprising an aqueous complex nutritive
base comprising:
a plurality of amino acids,
at least one vitamin,
a plurality of assimilable organic components each selected from the group
consisting of i-Inositol, Putrescine 2HCl, Sodium pyruvate, Thymidine, Adenine (HCl),
DL-Lipoic acid and D-Glucose, and
at least one inorganic salt,
wherein said cosmetic composition does not comprise a biological extract of
animal or cellular origin, or a living nourishing substrate, or a cellular growth stimulating
compound or feeter, or a hormone



157.	(Amended) A cosmetic composition, comprising an aqueous complex			
nutritive base comprising:				
 	_a_plurality_of_amino acids,			
	_at least one vitamin,			
	_a plurality of assimilable organic components each selected from the group			
consisting of	i-Inositol, Putrescine 2HCl, Sodium pyruvate, Thymidine, Adenine (HCl),			
DL-Lipoic ac	id and D-Glucose, and			
	_at least one inorganic salt,			
	_wherein said cosmetic composition does not contain a biological extract of			
animal or cell	ular origin, or a living nourishing substrate, and wherein said cosmetic			
composition of	consists essentially of components that are biomimetic to skin.			